

The Whipping Post.

The whipping post law, of which ex-Representative E. C. Flansary is the father, was for the first time called into requisition Monday. It was passed and approved May 20, 1890, and has been quietly resting since that date, having been no terror to the petty thief because there had been no occasion to use it. Its use put the public to this king and talking about it, and its beauties or deformities have been pretty generally discussed since it materialized Monday afternoon. The consensus of opinion is that it was the "right thing in the right place" on the occasion referred to. Imprisonment, coupled with labor, for an offense like the one for which the punishment was inflicted has heretofore had no purifying effect, and it had no terror whatever for such individuals as John Crow, while entailing an expense upon the county, it brought no adequate return. The operation may be and doubtless is distasteful to our refined ideas and advanced scientific notions, as we want everything modernized and made palatable to our cultivated ways, and we are inclined to call such barbarous, but Monday's escapade shows very plainly that it reaches and punishes a class that no other law has yet reached. As soon as Crow felt the sting of the law and realized that somehow or somewhere, in addition to the slight bodily pain, there was a bad order, a kind of disgrace, subjecting him to the givings of the public, he was ready, willing and anxious to expose his companion in crime. This shows that he felt the weight of the law, and six months sojourning in the county jail, with good wholesome food, comfortable room, with an occasional days work, never would have awakened in him the idea that he was disgraced and that his pal should shear the burden with him. The whipping post may smack of the dark ages and all that, but it will do more to break up petty thieving around Marion than all the jail in the State.

From a card published in the Henderson papers last week we learn that the authorship of a little seven line paragraph which appeared in the editorial columns of the Press a few weeks ago has been attributed to Col. J. H. Powell. The paragraph was complimentary to Col. Powell as an officer and gave expression to the opinion that he could not be defeated for re-election. Col. Powell had nothing whatever to do with the writing of that paragraph or any other that ever appeared in this paper. He knew nothing of it until it was published. He paid nothing for it. It was written without his knowledge or consent. We have frequently written and published paragraphs concerning him, and at no time did he ever have anything to do with their writing or publication. He is an important public officer and his career as such official has been a legitimate source of comment for the district press, and the favorable criticisms made by the entire press of the district show that he has been a faithful and efficient representative of the Commonwealth, and it always affords us pleasure to refer to him as such.

The Farmers' Home Journal, the oldest and best agricultural paper in the State, has, since Erwin was deposed as president of the Farmers' Alliance, been the official organ of the organization in the State, devoting two or three extra pages to the cause. Last week it published an editorial withdrawing as the official organ, stating as its reasons for so doing that the Alliance was so split up on the question of politics that it could do justice to neither faction. The deposed president Erwin is a third party man, and was the party candidate for Governor, and he wants to force the organization into the third party. The president, Hon. T. T. Gardner, is strictly opposed to the organization going into politics. In November the State Alliance meets, and it is feared that a split in the organization will then and there result. It is said that while a majority favor standing by their constitution and eschewing politics, Erwin and his followers propose to run the thing into politics or split the Alliance.

It is over. The new constitution is finished and as a whole the people will find that it is worth many, very many times the price paid. As a body the convention was composed of able, clear and conservative men; men who could look upon all sides of all questions, men who could and did vote without fear or partiality. They have discharged an intricate and laborious duty; they did it well, and history will show that there are patriots in the land yet.

The two candidates for Governor, Campbell and McKinley, will have a joint debate at Ada, on the 8th.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

Salem.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the show at Marion last week; as is usual they did not show half they advertised, though they had some right good things.

We are glad to see our friend Henry Hodge, who was thrown from his back on the night of the 19th, able to be out again. We hope our boys that caused the mishap will learn a lesson from this, and will not be guilty of a like offense again. However, they acted very gentlemanly about it. They paid Mr. Hodge \$10 damages, and gave them selves up to Squire Stevens, who proceeded to assess a little fine of \$10 each for running horses on the public highway against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth. We hope our horsemen will learn from this that it is not pretty or praiseworthy to ride or drive so recklessly as some of them do.

We were sorry to see some of our citizens at the show last Tuesday a little "boozey" from taking a little too much of "Robertson's red eye." We suppose we are to have a "wet and dry" fight in the county court the 1st Monday in next month. Mr. Woodruff has posted his notices asking for licenses to be granted him to sell liquors by the retail. The town board will oppose him. We are not in the fight this time; we got one licking over a year ago, and whipped children are afraid of the switch. However, we should fight measures and not men.

We sorry that some of our enterprising stock men have been losing some money on their last purchases. They work very hard and should have pay for their labor.

Our prayer meeting died last Wednesday night. We hope that there are enough good people in this town to resurrect it again, and put it on a different footing; let's try working some of the young men in the lead awhile. It is wrong to work one poor old soldier to death. Can't we have a union prayer meeting in which all will take a part? What do you say Brethren.

The Princeton Presbytery will hold its fall meeting at Bell's Mines church in Crittenden county this week. Robt. Boyd will represent the C P church lately organized here.

This county was well represented at the Little River Association held in Lyon county week before last. Bros Muttter and Brown were delegates from this church, and report a very interesting meeting.

Bros Lowey and Woodruff closed the best meeting of the season at Hopewell last week. We learn that there were 34 professions and 17 additions to the church.

We learn there is a series of meetings going on at Union this week. We hope they will have a good meeting.

Everybody should come to Salem to buy goods. The merchants here sell goods cheaper, and pay more for produce than any place we know of; come and be convinced.

Dr. Shelby has a new gun. He went hunting last week and killed two squirrels and the balance have all hid, knowing that to look upon that new gun is certain death.

Our school here is progressing nicely under the management of Prof Evans and Miss Alice Brown. We hope the patrons will give them their co-operation in making it a perfect success.

Mrs Davidson and her daughter Miss Tammy, who have been sick at Mr W A Hayders for several weeks are convalescent.

Mrs Charley Daniels has been sick for several days.

Mrs Tom Guess is quite sick.

Bro Carter preached one of his usual good sermons here on Sunday night. I hope the good people of this town will take his advice and look after their boys more closely, and keep them in the right track while they are young, and when they get older they will not leave it. Keep your boys at home where you can see and know what they are doing. Don't let them run in gangs on the streets. You should love your children well enough to make them do right, then other people will help you love them. Everybody loves a good boy or girl and nobody loves a bad one.

Squire Stevens had quite an interesting court here last Monday. He had some of Marion's big legal guns to listen to in the person of Messrs James and Hodge.

Fredonia.

Rev. J. L. Hughey, of Enfield, Ill., with his wife and two children, were visiting relatives here last week.

Mr. Ansmeiger and family, of Evansville, have moved into the Maxwell house; he is running the Fredonia Valley Mills.

Miss Mollie Gilliland, formerly of this county, but now of Enfield, Ill., is visiting relatives here.

J E Crider has a large lot of first class brick for sale.

The Sheriff was here Saturday

looking for a remnant of taxes.

Finley, the drummer, was in town Monday.

Mrs Helen Davis, of Shady Grove, was in town two days last week.

Byrd Hughes left Monday night to attend school in Louisville.

Jacobs & Deboe had the best trade Saturday they ever had; they advertised and let the people know that they are still in the land of the living.

Mr Tuck and wife, of Central City, are visiting G M Bently and family and Sam Howerton and family.

The well drilling machine of Sullivan & Wilkinson is in operation on east side of Cassidy avenue, Kelsey.

Miss Lissa Williams is prepared to give instruction in music to several others, if there are others that wish to become musicians. She cannot be excelled as a teacher; better take lessons while a good opportunity is afforded.

The earthquake Saturday night rattled dishes, windows, etc., considerably but did no damage here.

J E Crider has a fine crop of tobacco housed in good shape.

J E Crider is selling old corn at 50c.

J E Crider has sold at lot several yearling calves for beef.

A large crowd attended church at Cooks Valley last Sunday.

John Hardin, of Hampton and Prof W B Davis, of Shady Grove, will please let me know by return mail their best figures for my young mule. Several are wanting the mule but none of them have offered my price by ten dollars; want to sell within a week.

W C Glenn, Fredonia, Ky.

Remember that Howerton's is the place to get the worn of your money when you buy dry goods, clothing, etc.

We need a first class shoemaker.

B F Smith is on the sick list.

B A Jacobs and family were visiting in the country Sunday.

Mrs Fannie Byrd is yet on the sick list.

W C Glenn has a good mule five years old for sale cheap for cash, or will take corn for part of pay. The mule is in fine flesh; no better work mule in the county, and a splendid traveler.

Weston.

The Joe Fowler and J S Hopkins have yielded the river to the Alex Perry and J T Rhea and gone on the dry shelf.

The Congo, after securing 300 sacks of dried fruit from Luther Rankin left for Cincinnati Saturday morning at day break, and has been working 20 hours to getover the Caseyville bar.

There have been several changes of residences during the week. Mr G L Rankins family moved to his own property vacated by J L Rankin, F Heath to the Ed Fowler property, and J N Smith to the property vacated by G L Rankin, and J A Garretts family have moved to their own possession.

The earth shook houses in town to a fearful extent Saturday night, and gave alarm to their sleepers.

Messrs J S Heath and A P Shanks have been frequently hunting squirrels.

We understood that widow Shanks had left town several days ago.

Our talented merchant Mr Rankin contemplates going to Evansville Monday for a ship load of goods.

Dumby was very busy with the Tiddle Wink last week, and made \$8.25.

Preacher Thrasher while in town last week informed us that his family will leave us and move to Summer Shade, Ky.

The Gerlie Pool was loading its barge with ties at the place Saturday.

Mr T N Lamb and wife went down Golconda to visit their son, Mr M R Lamb.

Mr R C Hill is now at home.

Mrs McInda Lewis, of Indiana, was visiting O C Hillers family Sunday.

Miss Geo P Wain brought two tortoisng large boots to town from Kansas where she was on a visit to her son Charlie. The best I most looked like a human being.

Tolu.

Owing to the hot dry weather our farmers have sowed but little wheat.

Tolu is on a boom again, several new buildings are being erected.

U. G. Nichols has sold his stock of dry goods and groceries to W. L. Staten.

Walter Clement and his better half have returned from St. Louis.

Mrs. Clara Brown left Tuesday for Texas.

Our village can, without a doubt, boast of having more hogs than any other town in any other country. Yes, Tolu is the home of the hog.

Court is going on here this week, with several lawyers in attendance. L. D. Husbands, of Paducah; Blue & Blue, James & Moore and W. L. Cruce, Marion; and last, but not least, our efficient circuit court clerk, H. A. Haynes, are all registered at the Tolu House.

We would not forget to say something about the school at this place. We are informed that the patrons of the school are well pleased and the trustees think they acted wisely in securing the services of the Misses Wheeler to teach the public school at this place.

Those desiring to send their daughters to a first class school would do well to send them to Tolu. Our town is noted for good health, and our citizens for their hospitality. Board and tuition very reasonable, satisfaction guaranteed.

The recent earthquake seem to shake some of the boys up. Will Crawford says he thought Gabriel had come to call the whole tea party from labor to refreshments, though he was only joking.

A whole team of the natives are on Hurricane Island making sorghum for the multitude. None of them belong to the Alliance, however, consequently no sub treasury ideas are advocated.

Our new circuit rider, S. K. Breeding, was with us last Saturday night and preached a splendid sermon at the school house.

The Cincinnati Cooperage Co. have a mill at this place dressing beer keg staves.

News scarce this week and I am sleepy. Good night.

Success to the Press. Damon.

Lola.

Mr. Brice Lewis and wife, of Ind., are visiting her father B. S. Kennedy.

Dr. Kennedy intended starting to Cincinnati last Friday, but was prevailed upon to wait a few days to attend a sick child of Mr Lewis.

Ben. Foley has a new boy at his house.

Hopewell meeting closed last Monday night with 32 professions, and 20 additions to the church. It was conducted by Revs Lowey, Hill and Woodruff.

Rev. W B Hosick is to dedicate the new church at New Union the 4th Sunday.

Eq. Foley held an examining trial to find out where the honey out of Ben Johnsons bee tree went, but failed to saddle it upon the boys.

Our school is progressing nicely under the care of Prof Wright.

Prof Robert Tolley is teaching the Dittney school.

Mr. W. A. Wilson and wife, are boss fruit dryers, they have dried nearly 3,000 lbs.

The tobacco crop maturing nicely the crop is about one-third housed.

A light earthquake shock was felt by several Saturday night about mid night.

We visited Salem last week and learned that the had gone dry, the boys were sitting around with their elbows on their knees, and hands dropped under their chins and looking as if their mammas was dead and the last cow in town had gone dry.

Joseph Johnson is clerking for W L Kennedy. O. E.

THE ONSLAUGHT.

THOUSANDS RUN PELL-MELL FOR TOWN LOTS.

Guthrie, O. T., Sept. 29.—Couriers who have arrived here this afternoon give the following particulars and horrible details which attended the opening of the Government town site of Chandler in the Sac and Fox reservation, which was opened to settlement one week ago. The town site was opened to settlement at 12 o'clock yesterday, and the scene which followed the volley of musketry which announced the opening of the town site is beyond description.

About 3,000 excited men and women bent upon securing lots had gathered about the boundary of the town. Some were on horses, broncos, and others on foot, stripped of all superfluous clothing, each carrying a sharpened stick with name and notice of lot taken thereon, and all strung to the highest pitch of excitement. At 12 o'clock sharp, the signal was given, and with a mighty yell from 3,000 throats, and amid the cracking of whips, and volley of oaths, shouts and curses, a conglomerate mass of men and women, on horse and foot, rushed like marines for the town lots. They clambered up the steep cliffs like soldiers charging a fortress. The line was one mile long on each side and half a mile long on each end.

The rush was toward lot 48, which was reserved for a court house. As the angles of the advancing lines met; many riders were unhorsed and hurled pell mell into the mud. Many persons are reported killed and others as having received severe injuries. Miss Daisy, a representative of the Guthrie News, was thrown from her horse at the beginning of the race and striking her head on a rock was killed. The excited and merciless crowd had no time to attend the dying and rode over the body of the unfortunate woman, until it was recognized by a friend, who took it out of the surging mass of humanity.

As there were three or four times as many people as there were lots, the result could easily be foretold. There are from three to six claimants for a great many of the good lots to-night. On every hand can be heard curses and high worded discussions. It will take considerable time to adjust these difficulties.

An Indian killed a white man over a quarrel in one of the tents where liquor was being sold.

THE LAST DAYS.

AFTER A YEAR AND MONTH THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ADJOURNS.

The Closing Scenes of the Memorable Occasion.

Courier-Journal.

FRANKFORT, KY., Sept. 28.—The Constitutional Convention is a thing of the past, and Kentucky is at last under her new Constitution.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon the last act in the framing of a new organic law for the people of Kentucky was performed, and the sovereign body, after the existence of a year and about a month, was seized with the rigors of death.

The taking off was witnessed by an exceptionally large crowd in the lobby, the ladies being out in force. Many of the State officials were also present, and the convention had as its guests upon the floor such distinguished gentlemen as Gen. Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, and Senator Joe C. S. Blackburn, The ex-Senator is visiting Senator Blackburn at the latter's home in Versailles, and they drove over together this morning through the beautiful country of Woodford.

The attendance of the delegates was surprisingly large, there being only four absent. The signature of three of these were appended by proxies, and the only delegate whose name was not affixed was Col. Bennett H. Young. He is expected here to-night or in the morning, when he will sign.

The signing took about an hour and a half, and was done with considerable formality. During most of the time the cannon was booming. Each delegate, as his district was called, would walk up to the front aisle directly in front of the President's desk, and affix his signature to the sheepskin parchment which rested upon Stenographer Walker's desk. Most of them had purchased pens and holders to be used for this special occasion, and they carefully replaced them in their pockets when through, their intention being to pass them down to their children and grandchildren, etc., as heirlooms. Many of the members practiced for a half-hour or more before the time arrived, upon their signature, in order to get down as impressive chirography as possible.

Stenographer Walker purchased the table upon which the new Constitution was signed, but, when he heard the Historical Society of Kentucky desired it, made them a present of it. It was the table upon which he has taken his notes during the long session of the convention.

Judge Beckner was witty and irrepressible to the last. He suggested, when he heard Gov. Brown had ordered the cannon to be fired, that Providence had ordered an earthquake, but owing to its inability to determine exactly when the convention would adjourn, had missed the date just one day.

What a joke it would have been if that quake had transpired to day, at noon!

The last scenes in the convention were impressive. Their pages were running about, their hands full of checks for different delegates, and all of the convention officials were up to their eyes in business. The best of humor was apparent every where, and the members parted teal at peace with the world, though sad at the severance of ties of companionship closely knitted through the long association. Most of them left by the afternoon train, and to-night Frankfort is almost entirely deserted by them.

Blue & Blue,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

MARION, KY.

Office in courthouse yard.

Owensboro Fair.

On account of the annual fair of Daviess county, to be held at Owensboro Oct. 6th to 10th inclusive, the L. St. L. & T. Ry. will sell round trip tickets from Henderson at one are on the above dates, good to return until Oct. 10th.

The Soap for Hard Water is Lenox.

A TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE!

On Saturday night, Sept 26, at 11 P. M., a Terrific Shock was felt, Creating Much Excitement among the Citizens in and around FORDS FERRY, KY.,

BUT IT WAS NOTHING IN COMPARISON TO THE EXCITEMENT MADE BY THE

The RANKIN New BROS., Firm

ON THE DAY PREVIOUS TO THE SHAKE, BY THE

IMMENSE STOCK OF GOODS

They were receiving and the amount they sold at Rock Bottom Prices. They are now receiving the largest, new and well selected stock of General Merchandise ever brought to the town of Fords Ferry, consisting of

Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Caps. Boots. Shoes.

Groceries, Canned Goods, Hardware, Queensware, Glassware, Tinware, Saddles, Harness, Leather, Plows, Farming Utensils of all kinds, Salt, Lime and Cement. We buy strictly for Spot Cash and save all cash discounts, and propose giving our customers the benefit of same by selling them goods cheap; yes, VERY CHEAP for cash only or its equivalent. We buy ALL KINDS OF PRODUCE paying the highest market price. We invite all to come and look through our stock, no trouble to show goods, and get our prices before buying elsewhere.

We Buy Railroad Ties and Hoop-poles.

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SALESMAN.

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Cheap Freights, No Rent and Cash Prices Are Bound to Win.

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We Pay

NO RENTS.

We Sell

FOR CASH.

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Big Prices will not do in these times, when the wealthy cannot afford to waste their money and the poor require double duty of every dollar and every penny. We can name you prices that will teach you in the silent logic of truth between dealing with live and with dead men, between cash and credit system, between high freight and low freight system.

New advanced ideas crowding out old! Pluck instead of Inck! Cash instead of credit! Experience instead of cheek! Science and ability beating back and crushing into oblivion these high freight merchants with their tough and unlimited long time prices.

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